

AVIATION OPERATIONS ORGANIZATION
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UNIT AVIATION OPERATIONS
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GENERAL
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Each CDF air attack and helitack base will be under the administrative direction and control of the Unit in which it is located.

In the case of jointly operated bases the management and operations will be delineated in a joint operating plan for that facility.

AIR ATTACK OPERATIONS
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The Air Attack Officer/Battalion Chief will be responsible for the overall supervision and base management and aircraft operations and will perform as the primary air tactical group supervisor (ATGS).

The air attack base manager will be responsible for the overall function and operation of the ground facility and, at most bases, will serve as relief air tactical group supervisor or may perform patrol duties.

Staffing of each air attack base unit will be as allocated in the Department's 'Blue Book' staffing standards.

Under normal circumstances, an Air Tactical Group Supervisor, Air Attack Base Manager or Assistant Air Attack Base Manager and two firefighters will be on duty at all times at a minimum. This staffing may be increased to meet any operational needs as they arise.

HELITACK OPERATIONS
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Each helitack base will be supervised by the battalion chief of the district in which the base is located, or by the unit air attack officer.

Staffing of each helitack unit will be as allocated in the Department's 'Blue Book' staffing standards.

Under normal operations at a UH-1 base, the following will be on duty: one pilot, two Fire Captains, and six fire fighters to respond with the helicopter and one Fire Apparatus Engineer to operate the helitender unit.

One Fire Captain may be designated as the lead captain and will be responsible for the total day to day operations of the helibase.

AVIATION OPERATIONS PERSONNEL

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